

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (PARA 2, LINE 1 OMITTED)

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MASS, SU

SUBJECT: SALE OF F-5S TO SUDAN

1. NORTHROP VICE PRESIDENT GATES VISITED BUREAU (AF/I) DECEMBER 17 TO TOUCH BASE ON F-5 SALE. HE INDICATED THAT NORTHROP'S MIDEAST REPRESENTATIVE WOULD BE IN SUDAN NEXT WEEK OR SOON AFTER CHRISTMAS. AT THAT TIME HE WILL CALL AT EMBASSY. GATES SAID THAT SUDANESE WERE TALKING IN TERMS OF TWO SQUADRONS OF 12 AIRCRAFT EACH, ONE SQUADRON TO BE DELIVERED ,AS SOON AS POSSIBLE" AND SECOND AT A LATER TIME.

2. DEPTOFFS STRESSED THAT WE WISHED TO PROCEED SLOWLY. WE FIRST WANTED TO SEE WHAT KIND OF RECEPTION C-130 SALE WOULD GET FROM THE CONGRESS; WE ALSO THOUGHT NEW ADMINI-  
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STRATION WOULD WISH TO REVIEW ENTIRE ARMS SALE POLICY, INCLUDING AFRICAN AREA. ARMS SALES TO SUDAN WOULD INEVITABLY ALSO BE AFFECTED BY MIDDLE EAST POLITICAL CLIMATE. DEPTOFFS ALSO OBSERVED THAT JUDGING FROM PAST EXPERIENCE WE COULD NOT BE ENTIRELY CERTAIN OF SAUDI FINANCING INTENTIONS. WE EXPECT TO BE IN TOUCH WITH GATES AGAIN EARLY IN THE NEW YEAR.  
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